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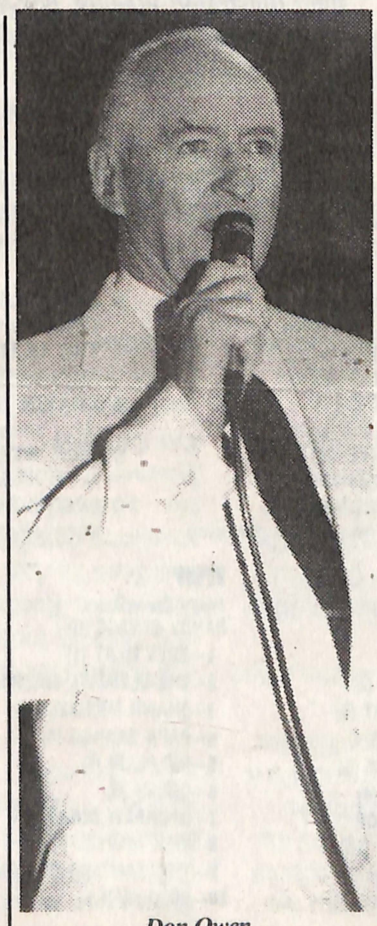
DON OWEN RETIRES FROM PORTLAND WRESTLING

Veteran promoter **Don Owen**, 79, has decided to retire and relinquish control of Pacific Northwest Wrestling. The veteran matchmaker made the announcement in a tearful goodbye speech during his final card, held on May 30 at the Sports Arena in Portland, Oregon.

"I'm the last of the Mohicans," said Owen, who succeeded his father, **Herb Owen**, as promoter of Pacific Northwest wrestling. "But I just can't compete with New York [the WWF] or with **Ted Turner** [WCW] without TV. After 68 years in the wrestling promoting business, it's time for me to say goodbye. I've had a good run, but it's time to let go."

Owen's tenure as Pacific Northwest promoter saw him and his son, **Barry**, bring top stars and matches to fans in Oregon and Washington for more than three decades. During the Owens' tenure, competitors such as **Ric Flair**, **Crush** (formerly known as **Brian Adams**), **Tony Borne**, **Curt Hennig**, **Billy Jack Haynes**, and many others made Portland their wrestling home on the road to becoming national stars.

Roddy Piper, in particular, was very loyal to Owen, making several unscheduled appearances on PNW cards



Don Owen

during the past three years—even though he was competing in the WWF at the time. However, Portland's Channel 12 earlier this year canceled *Portland Wrestling* after 38 years on the air. Crowds at the Sports Arena, the federation's main venue, dwindled to fewer than 200 fans many times during the past several weeks.

Both fans and wrestlers were shocked by Owen's sudden announcement. PNW star **Bart Sawyer** called Owen "one of the fairest promoters I've ever worked with," while young **Mike Winner** was even more lavish with his praise of the country's oldest active promoter.

"This is a very unfortunate day in the annals of wrestling," said Winner, who began his career in Georgia. "Don will always have a special place in my heart. The wrestling world and I will miss this man."

Owen also announced that he had turned control of the organization over to former wrestler and referee **Sandy Barr**, who plans to keep the promotion alive.

To do this, Barr is making several changes, the first being the name of the federation. Pacific Northwest, beginning with the June 6 card, will be known as Championship Wrestling USA. Barr was also in the midst of negotiating with Channel 32 in Portland for a regular weekly television program, and described the contract talks as "very promising."

"I didn't think Don would ever retire," said Barr, who admitted he had mixed emotions about taking over the promotion. "He left me with a big pair of shoes to fill."

According to Barr, the current champions, heavyweight titleholder **C.W. Bergstrom** and tag team champions **The Grappler** and **Steve Doll**, will retain their title. Most PNW stars will continue with Championship Wrestling USA, but without Owen, the flavor of the wrestling is likely to be altered somewhat.

"Hey, an era has ended," said veteran star **Brickhouse Brown**. "Portland wrestling will go on, but Don Owen will be sadly missed."

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The hottest news to come out of the WWF this week is that negotiations are underway to bring SummerSlam '92 to England. Specifically, the annual pay-per-view spectacular would be held at London's Wembley Stadium.

"It's very close to happening," said one well-placed source. "It would be a tremendous step forward for the WWF."

In recent years, the mat sport has become very popular in the United Kingdom and throughout Europe. Both the WWF and WCW television programs are shown there on a regular basis. In addition, both fed-

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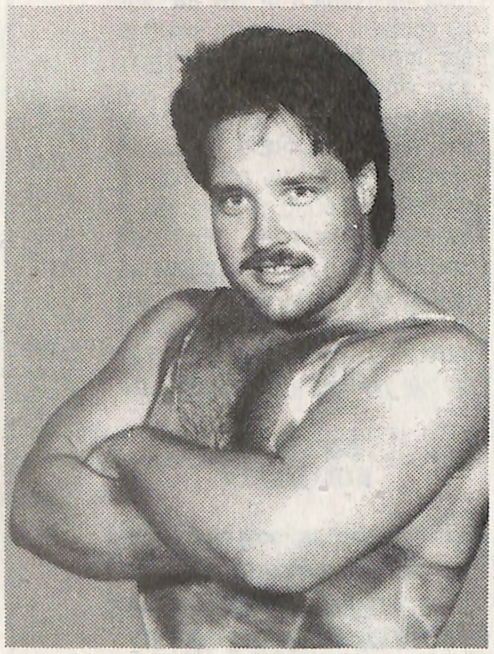
WRESTLER OF THE WEEK



Terry Simms

Terry Simms was getting tired of listening to people talk about his potential. To heck with potential, he said, he wanted a championship belt that would *prove* his worth as a singles competitor. On May 29 in Dallas, Simms captured his prize, winning the GWF light heavyweight title.

"You don't know how hard I worked for this belt!" Simms said excitedly. "This feels even better than when **Scott Putski** and I won the Global tag belts! Man, I can't wait to get out there and defend this thing."

Simms won the championship in what was to have been a three-man, round robin tournament. After defeating **Billy Travis**, Simms took on former champion **Chaz**. Simms won the bout after Chaz injured his leg and was unable to continue. Because each of his opponents already had one loss, Simms was awarded the title.

"Yeah, I hear that some guys think I won this belt cheap because Chaz gave up," Simms acknowledged. "But, hey, those are the breaks. If I had gone down with an injury and Chaz had won, I would have accepted it. I'm not about to apologize for anything."

Among those agreeing with Simms is Chaz.

"Terry deserves the belt," Chaz said. "I mean, the circumstances weren't the greatest, but it's a win in the record books. He wrestled well enough in that match to beat me. I would just say to him that as soon as this leg gets better, I want a shot at the belt."

When asked for how long he thought he would hold the title, Simms refused to give a specific answer.

"That isn't important right now," he insisted. "What matters is that I've finally won. I want to savor this, so that when I do lose, I'll remember what it was like to be champion. That'll be enough to spur me on to greater accomplishments."

MATCH OF THE WEEK

Marty Jannetty won new respect from fans when he split with Rocker partner **Shawn Michaels**, but after this USWA title bout against **Jerry Lawler**, Jannetty is in danger of losing a lot of support.

Surprisingly, Jannetty was accompanied to the ring by a manager, **Bert Prentice**. That made the Mid-South Coliseum fans cheer even louder for "The King." However, Jannetty didn't appear to be bothered by the response to him.

Jannetty conducted himself like a full-fledged rulebreaker. For nearly a half-hour, he and Lawler traded the advantage. Jannetty's flying maneuvers from the top rope to the arena floor were particularly effective.

After Lawler caught Jannetty with a sleeperhold, Prentice rang the timekeeper's bell. After a moment of indecision, referee **Paul Neighbors** restarted the match. While Neighbors was telling Lawler to continue, Prentice threw Jannetty a chain, which he used to crown "The King."

Jannetty made the cover, but Lawler kicked out at the count of two and put Jannetty in a headlock. Jannetty threw Lawler into Neighbors. Again, Jannetty attempted to use the chain, but this time Lawler stopped him and used the foreign object against him.

When Lawler went in for the count, Prentice blindsided Neighbors. The ref promptly disqualified Jannetty for his manager's interference. Afterward, both Jannetty and Prentice vowed to continue their pursuit of Lawler.

"I intend to come back here next week and settle this thing!" Jannetty yelled. "I don't care what the people think anymore; it's time I had some gold around my waist!"

Now that *both* Rockers are rulebreakers, maybe they'll talk to one another again!

YAY & NAY

A hearty "yay" for longtime Portland promoter **Don Owen**, who received a tearful sendoff when he retired this past Saturday after an incredible 68 years in the sport. In that time, Owen built an unparalleled reputation for fairness and openness. Many of the sport's top stars, including **Roddy Piper**, **Curt Hennig**, and **Tom Zenk**, got their starts in Portland, and they haven't forgotten what Owen meant to their careers. Good luck, Don!

"Nay" to new Smoky Mountain commissioner **Bob Armstrong**. We all realize that wrestlers should never strike officials, but the opposite also holds true. After **Paul Orndorff** smashed **Brian Lee** with a pair of brass knuckles, Armstrong properly disqualified him. But then when Orndorff confronted Armstrong, the commissioner picked up the knucks and blasted the wrestler. When **Tony Anthony** and **Buddy Landell** came to the ring, Armstrong hit them, too. The commish is claiming self-defense where restraint clearly is called for.

"Yay" to **Nikita Koloff** for turning down an offer to join The Dangerous Alliance. Koloff isn't stupid. He saw what happened to **Larry Zbyszko**. He knows that being one of **Paul E. Dangerously's** crew is a no-win proposition. It's becoming more clear each week that Koloff is serious about his friendship with WCW World champion **Sting**.

Yet another "nay" to WWF President **Jack Tunney** for his refusal to fine or suspend **Nailz** for the convict's brutal attack on **Big Bossman**. Nailz handcuffed Bossman to the ropes and battered him mercilessly with his club. Apparently, that wasn't enough to rouse Tunney to action. Tunney is sending out a dangerous signal: Take the law into your own hands.

"Yay" to **"Nature Boy" Buddy Rogers**. Rogers was just as disappointed as his fans were when his scheduled bout against **Buddy Landell** was canceled in January. Now he's making noises that he may yet step through the ropes. Rogers remains determined to prove he can still wrestle and defeat men a third his age. No one here will disagree with him.

THIS WEEK

June 6-June 12. All dates subject to change.

Sat/6	Sun/7	Mon/8	Tue/9	Wed/10	Thu/11	Fri/12
CWF: Joiner, AR **PNW:** Portland, OR **SAPW:** Aynor, SC **WCW:** Greenwood, SC **WWC:** Bayamon, Puerto Rico **WWF:** Omaha, NE; Boston, MA	**BDPW:** Dallas, TX **WWC:** Atlanta, GA **WWF:** Dayton, OH; Miami, FL	**WCW:** Dothan, AL **USWA:** Memphis, TN	**NAWA:** Dallas, TX **USWA:** Louisville, KY	**USWA:** Evansville, IN	**ICWA:** Tampa, FL **WCW:** Greenville, MS **WWF:** San Diego, CA; Vancouver, WA	**GWF:** Dallas, TX **WCW:** Monroe, LA **WWF:** Los Angeles, CA; Fairbanks, AK

THIS WEEK: WCW has come up with a very innovative 20-man battle royal format for Sunday's Omni card in Atlanta. As men are eliminated by being tossed over the top rope, they are paired against the next man out for a match to be held later on the card. So, if Scott Steiner were to be tossed out, and Rick Steiner was next, they would have to wrestle each other. With Freebirds Jim Garvin and Michael Hayes also entered, as well as friends Barry Windham and Dustin Rhodes, this card could be interesting!

- The Beverly Brothers get their chance at the men they call "The Legion of Sissies"—actually The Legion of Doom—on Friday in Los Angeles.
- WWC Universal champion Carlos Colon and Invader I go at it on Saturday in Bayoman—this time with no time limit and no disqualifications.
- WCW champion Sting teams with Rick Steamboat against U.S. champion Rick Rude & TV champion Steve Austin on Thursday in Greenville, Mississippi.

REPORTERS' NOTEBOOK

FRASER, MI: It isn't unusual for "falls count anywhere in the building" matches to get out of hand, but this particular contest in an ice hockey arena became very strange indeed. Motor City North American champion "Irish" Mickey Doyle was defending his belt against "Punisher" Rock Stevens. They brawled out of the ring, up the aisleway, into the stairwell, through the concourse, down into the hockey player benches, into the rear tunnel, and back onto the floor. Here's where it got hairy: After slamming Doyle to the concrete, Stevens tried to run him over with the Zamboni, you know, the machine they use to smooth the ice! Luckily, Motor City officials stopped him. Doyle came back to win the match, but that was anticlimactic. Let's hope the next Motor City card isn't scheduled in conjunction with a monster truck show!

—Matt Brock

NORFOLK, VA: The ongoing war between Van Hammer and J.T. Southern played itself out in this Navy town with the usual result: Hammer by pinfall. What this feud comes down to is *not* who the better guitar player is, but who the better *wrestler* is. That's why Hammer's winning. No, he isn't a very technically skilled grappler, but he's improving daily. His strength lies in his ability to exploit Southern's weaknesses. If J.T. is serious about winning, and I'm sure he is, he'll put away that guitar and start watching videotapes of Hammer's matches.

—Andy Rodriguez

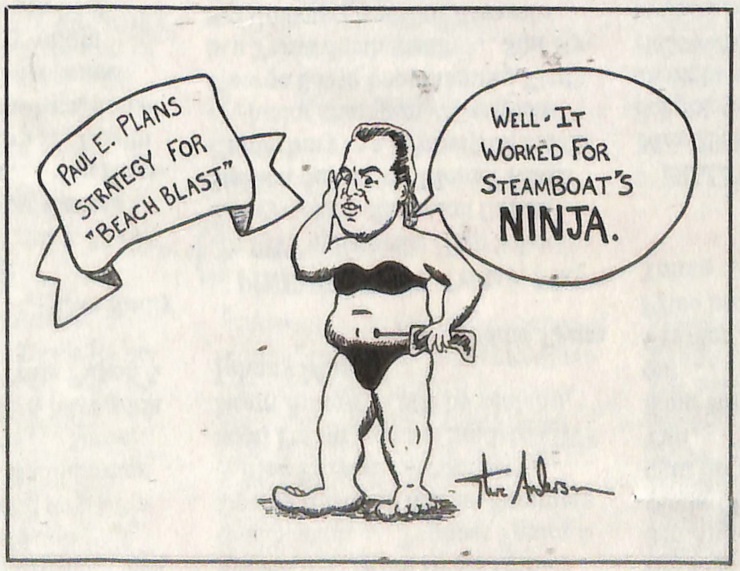
JUAREZ, MEXICO: Mexico is home to some of the world's most sensational high-flying wrestlers. It's the home of Mil Mascaras, one of this sport's legends. Believe me, though, they have their share of silliness. In the Wild World promotion, a team called Frankenstein and Chucky competed. They were an abomination, but they somehow managed to win their match. After the card, I attempted to wrangle an interview with these two characters, but they brushed me off very abruptly. Maybe they were afraid I'd reveal their true identities. Nothing to worry about, guys. Nobody cares.

—Dave Rosenbaum

TUSCON, AZ: Let's face it: Papa Shango may be dazzling The Ultimate Warrior with all this alleged voodoo and assorted razzamatazz, but what really counts is who's winning their matches, and Warrior's winning just about all of them. I ascribe to the theory that Warrior is stringing Shango along. He isn't falling for all this nonsense; he just wants Shango to *think* he is. Whatever, this entire situation is setting new records for bad taste, even for the WWF. I sincerely hope "Shangoism" doesn't spread and infect other federations.

—Bob Smith

STEVE ANDERSON'S VIEW



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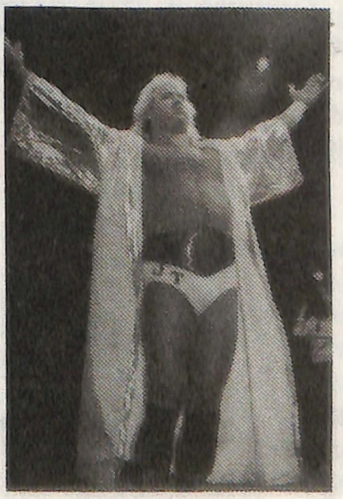

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June 15, 1990

John Tatum, using the foulest tactics imaginable, defeats "Superstar" Bill Dundee to win his second CWA title. Between May 4 and July 4, 1990, Dundee and Tatum traded this championship three times—but most fans think Dundee won the feud, since he ended up with the hand of lovely valet Tessa.

A FAN'S VIEW

I very much enjoyed the recent telecast of Wrestle War '92. The matches were for the most part very competitive, well-balanced, and hard-fought.

One of the most interesting bouts was the contest featuring the two able scientific wrestlers, "Flyin' " Brian Pillman and Tom Zenk. This fine example of the true art of professional wrestling was unfortunately marred by the incessant and irrational banter supplied by none other than Jesse "The Big Mouth" Ventura.

It is basely tolerable when this legend in his own mind professes himself to be an expert authority on every conceivable subject, from the NFL to men's wear. I can almost stomach his endless and incoherent babble that second-guesses the technique of each grappler having the misfortune to compete while Mr. Ventura holds the microphone. His blatant favoritism toward the more unsavory elements of wrestling is revolting at best, but endurable.

"The Body," however, reached a new low when he repeatedly insisted that either Pillman or Zenk would eventually resort to rulebreaking tactics. I hate to break this to you, Mr. Ventura, but there are some wrestlers who accomplish their goals within the bounds of acceptable conduct. Unlike yourself, there are a lot of wrestlers who function under the rules and within a generally recognized code of honor.

Decent people *will* patronize cards that highlight decent matches. Jesse, you are in extreme danger of becoming the Howard Cosell of pro wrestling.

—Jon P. Rankin

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TRANSACTIONS

MOVED: "Pistol" Pez Whatley, to the USWA.

RETIRED: Veteran Pacific Northwest promoter Don Owen, 79, who made the announcement at the May 30 card at the Sports Arena in Portland, Oregon. Owen has given control of the federation to Sandy Barr, who in the past has been a wrestler and referee for PNW.

RETURNING: The Ladies Professional Wrestling Association. The dormant federation's next card, a television taping, is scheduled for July 22 in Hanlin, Minnesota.

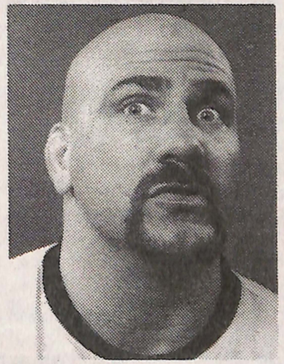
SIGNED: Former WWF Intercontinental champion Don Muraco, for appearances in two East Coast federations. Muraco is scheduled to make an appearance for ECW on June 23 in Philadelphia, and is signed for matches for the Century Wrestling Federation on June 27 and 28 in Wallingford, Connecticut.

WON: The Global North American title, by Scott Putski, on May 29 in Dallas, Texas. Putski defeated Johnny Mantell in a battle of top contenders to capture the belt.

The held-up Global light heavyweight title, by Terry Simms, on May 29 in Dallas, Texas. Simms defeated Chaz in a round-robin tournament final to capture the belt.

The Universal Championshp Wrestling title, by Bill Wilcox, on May 29 in Nashua, New Hampshire. Wilcox defeated Freight Train Fulton in a tournament final to capture the title.

WHO'S HOT, WHO'S NOT



Nikita Koloff

WHO'S HOT

Nikita Koloff. From "Russian Nightmare" to . . . "Lithuanian Dream"?

High Energy. Owen Hart and Koko B. Ware are true contenders.

The Power Twins. Larry and David pose a serious threat to The Moondogs.

Salvatore Bellomo. Meaner, nastier, and more successful than ever.

Tom Zenk

WHO'S NOT

Tom Zenk. The "Z-Man" has been in a slump since his dispute with Brian Pillman.

Tony Falk. Aimless with Miss Jennifer leading him.

La Ley. "The Law" is not being laid down in the WWC.

Vladimir Markoff. Shown *true* patriotism by Chris Michaels.

TRIVIA QUIZ

1. True or false: Van Hammer once played bass for The Elvin Bishop Group.
2. Who comprises the tag team of Money Inc.?
3. What former women's champion was once nicknamed "Slave Girl"?
4. Who comprised the tag team known as The Blackjacks?
5. What city does Jimmy Valiant hail from?
6. Who is the president of the Global Wrestling Federation?
7. How many times did Eric Embry hold the World Class light heavyweight title?
8. Which of the following wrestlers did *not* specialize in the clawhold: Baron Von Raschke, Killer Krupp, or Baron Scicluna?
9. True or false: An organization called Midnight Express Inc. once incorporated several wrestlers at the same time.
10. Who is the new manager of Kamala?

ANSWERS

1—False; 2—Ted DiBiase & Irwin R. Schyster; 3—The Fabulous Moolah; 4—Blackjack Mulligan & Blackjack Lanza; 5—New York City; 6—Max Andrews; 7—Five times; 8—Baron Scicluna; 9—True; 10—Harvey Wippleman.

RATINGS

For period ended June 1, 1992

TOP 10

1. **RANDY SAVAGE (2)** — *WWF World champion*
2. **STING (1)** — *WCW World champion*
3. **RICK RUDE (4)** — *WCW U.S. champion*
4. **BRET HART (3)** — *WWF I-C champion*
5. **BRIAN PILLMAN (5)** — *WCW light heavyweight champion*
6. **JERRY LAWLER (7)** — *USWA champion*
7. **THE ULTIMATE WARRIOR (6)** — *No. 2 contender: WWF title*
8. **SHAWN MICHAELS (8)** — *No. 1 contender: I-C title*
9. **RICK STEAMBOAT (-)** — *No. 1 contender: U.S. title*
10. **SCOTT PUTSKI (-)** — *Global North American champion*

TAG TEAMS

1. **RICK & SCOTT STEINER (1)** — *WCW World tag team champions*
2. **THE FREEBIRDS (3)** — *WCW U.S. tag team champions*
3. **THE NATURAL DISASTERS (4)** — *No. 1 contenders: WWF tag team title*
4. **IRWIN R. SCHYSTER & TED DiBIASE (2)** — *WWF World tag team champions*
5. **THE LEGION OF DOOM (5)** — *No. 2 contenders: WWF tag team title*
6. **TOM PRICHARD & STAN LANE (8)** — *Smoky Mountain tag team champions*
7. **THE MOONDOGS (6)** — *USWA tag team champions*
8. **GARY YOUNG & STEVEN DANE (10)** — *Global tag team champions*
9. **STEVE DOLL & THE GRAPPLER (9)** — *Pacific Northwest tag team champions*
10. **THE NASTY BOYS (-)** — *No. 3 contenders: WWF tag team title*

WCW

World Champion:
STING (C)

1—RICK RUDE (1)
2—BRIAN PILLMAN (2)
3—RICK STEAMBOAT (5)
4—STEVE AUSTIN (3)
5—BARRY WINDHAM (6)
6—NIKITA KOLOFF (4)
7—TERRENCE TAYLOR (8)
8—DUSTIN RHODES (10)
9—CACTUS JACK (-)
10—SCOTTY FLAMINGO (9)

WWF

World Champion:
RANDY SAVAGE (C)

1—BRET HART (1)
2—THE ULTIMATE WARRIOR (2)
3—SHAWN MICHAELS (3)
4—PAPA SHANGO (4)
5—RIC FLAIR (5)
6—CRUSH (9)
7—HACKSAW DUGGAN (-)
8—RICK MARTEL (-)
9—TITO SANTANA (7)
10—REPO MAN (-)

GLOBAL

North American champion:
SCOTT PUTSKI (5)

1—TERRY SIMMS (4)
2—CHAZ (8)
3—BILL IRWIN (6)
4—BILLY TRAVIS (9)
5—MIKE DAVIS (3)
6—GARY YOUNG (7)
7—JOHNNY MANTELL (1)
8—ALEX PORTEAU (-)
9—JOHN TATUM (10)
10—SAM HOUSTON (2)

USWA

USWA champion:
JERRY LAWLER (C)

1—BRIAN CHRISTOPHER (1)
2—MARTY JANNETTY (-)
3—EDDIE GILBERT (3)
4—BILLY TRAVIS (6)
5—MOONDOG SPIKE (-)
6—JEFF DAVIS (-)
7—JEFF JARRETT (4)
8—STEVEN DANE (2)
9—TONY FALK (9)
10—ERIC EMBRY (5)

PNW

PNW champion:
C.W. BERGSTROM (C)

1—BRICKHOUSE BROWN (1)
2—RON HARRIS (2)
3—JESSE BARR (8)
4—AL MADRIL (4)
5—DON HARRIS (10)
6—HIROSHI GO (-)
7—BART SAWYER (3)
8—MIKE WINNER (-)
9—STEVE DOLL (7)
10—THE GRAPPLER (9)

SAPW

IWWA champion:
NEIL SUPERIOR

1—WAHOO McDANIEL
2—THE PATRIOT
3—ROB VAN DAM
4—SHASKA WHATLEY
5—RON GARVIN
6—IVAN KOLOFF
7—TOMMY GUNN
8—CHAZZ ROCCO
9—TROOPER MAX
10—THE BAMMER

DALLAS, TX, Sunday, May 31: Big D at the Rocket Palace: **Gary Young** wrestled **Action Jackson** to a time-limit draw . . . **Jimmy James** pinned **Shawn Summers** . . . **Rod Price** pinned **Ray Evans** . . . **Iceman Parsons** defeated **Nick Hernandez** . . . **Big D** & **John Tatum** defeated **The Animal** & **"Flamboyant" Freddie Fargo** when Big D pinned Animal.

—Jules Tannenbaum

ELWOOD CITY, PA, Saturday, May 30: IWA at Lincoln High School: **Ron Cumberledge** pinned **Scott Somers** . . . **Thunderfoot II** pinned **T.C. Reynolds** . . . **Charlie Fulton** pinned **Thunderfoot I** . . . **Stan Lane** won a nine-man blindfold battle royal . . . **Shane Douglas** & **Preston Steele** defeated **Stan Lane** & **The Big Cheese**.

—Tony Attanasio

WARREN, MI, Saturday, May 30: Motor City Wrestling at Fraser Falcon Arena: **Greg Bobchick** beat Northern States champion **Johnny Paradise** in a non-title match . . . **"Mad" Max Anthony** defeated **Cpl. Daril Daniels** . . . **Bobcat Blair** defeated **Super Key** by submission . . . Tag team champions **Machine Gun Kelly** & **Al Snow** battled **The Bounty Hunters** to a double-countout . . . **Mike Anthony** beat **Dan Kanareck** . . . Midwest champion **Man Mountain Lancaster** battled **White Lightning** to a double-countout . . . MAP North American champion **"Irish" Mickey Doyle** defeated **Rock Stevens** in 22:17 in a falls-count-anywhere match when Doyle pinned Stevens on the arena floor.

—Billy Swanton

CAROLINA, PUERTO RICO, Saturday, May 30: WWC at the Arena: **Heartbreaker Adonis** pinned **The Rockin' Rebel** . . . **Rex King** beat **Fidel Sierra** by disqualification . . . **P.N. News** & **The Canadian Giant** defeated **Mohammad Hussein** & **Dick Murdoch** when News pinned Murdoch . . . **Bronco I** beat **Invader I** by disqualification . . . Universal champion **Carlos Colon** defeated **Abdullah the Butcher** in a cage match . . . Tag team champions **Ron Starr** & **Doug Masters** beat **La Ley** & **El Ciclon Salvadoreno** when Starr pinned Ciclon . . . **The Canadian Giant** won a 30-man, $10,000 Puerto Rico brawl.

—Pablo Soto

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PORTLAND, OR, Saturday, May 30: Pacific Northwest at the Sports Arena: **Brickhouse Brown** wrestled **Al Madril** to a 10-minute draw . . . **Ron Harris** pinned **Bart Sawyer** after blasting him with brass knuckles . . . **Jesse Barr** beat **Don Harris** by disqualification . . . **Col. DeBeers** & **John Rambo** defeated **Steve Doll** (defending the PNW tag team title alone because **The Grappler** was injured) by disqualification when **Brickhouse Brown** interfered . . . **Hiroshi Go** & **Takasuki** defeated **Mike Winner** & **Hiroshi Itakura**.

—Kenn Jones

MEMPHIS, TN, Saturday, May 30: USWA at Mid-South Coliseum: **Jeff Davis** beat **Tony Falk** . . . **The Power Twins** beat **Psycho** & **The Gambler** when **Larry** pinned Gambler . . . **The Candy Man** defeated **The Man of the '90s** . . . **Steve Dane** beat **Cat Garrett** . . . Southern champion **Brian Christopher** defeated **Billy Travis** . . . **Moondog Spike** beat **Trey Keller** . . . **Moondogs Spot** & **Cujo** wrestled to a no-contest against **Jeff Jarrett** & **"Pistol" Pez Whatley** . . . Global North American champion **Eddie Gilbert** beat **King Cobra** . . . USWA champion **Jerry Lawler** beat **Marty Jannetty** by disqualification.

—Mark Mitchell

BALTIMORE, MD, Saturday, May 30: WCW at the Baltimore Arena: **Tom Zenk** pinned **Joey Maggs** following a savate kick . . . **Van Hammer** pinned **J.T. Southern** following a slingshot suplex . . . **Dustin Rhodes** battled **Greg Valentine** to a 20-minute draw . . . Light heavyweight champion **Brian Pillman** pinned **Scotty Flamingo** . . . Tag team champions **Rick** & **Scott Steiner** defeated **Bobby Eaton**, **Cactus Jack**, & **Paul E. Dangerously** when Rick pinned Eaton. During the match, Dangerously attempted to flee to the dressing room, but he was caught and returned by former **Dangerous Alliance** member **Larry Zbyszko** . . . **Barry Windham** pinned **Terrence Taylor** . . . **Sting** & **Nikita Koloff** beat **Arn Anderson** & **Steve Austin** when Sting pinned Anderson . . . U.S. champion **Rick Rude** defeated **Rick Steamboat** by pinfall in a steel cage match.

—Timothy A. Walker

AUBURN HILLS, MI, Saturday, May 30: WWF at the Palace: **The Ultimate Warrior** pinned **Papa Shango** . . . Intercontinental champion **Bret Hart** pinned **Shawn Michaels** following a sunset flip . . . **The Legion of Doom** defeated **The Beverly Brothers** . . . **Hacksaw Duggan** defeated **Repo Man** by disqualification . . . **The Nasty Boys** defeated **Owen Hart** & **Koko B. Ware** when **Brian Knobs** pinned Ware . . . **Rick Martel** pinned **Tito Santana**, but used the ropes for leverage . . . **Crush** defeated **Kato** with a clawhold.

—Debra McFarlin

WALLINGFORD, CT, Saturday, May 30: Independent at Century Toyota: **Rochester Roadblock** beat **Scott Taylor** . . . **The Bushwhackers** defeated **Double Trouble** . . . **Little Louie** defeated **Little Doomer** . . . **Cool Charisma** beat **Ray Odyssey** . . . **Vic Steamboat** beat **Tasmaniac** by disqualification . . . **Tony Atlas** defeated **Tommy Dreamer**.

—Chris Reilly

MANATI, PUERTO RICO, Friday, May 29: WWC at the Arena: **Heartbreaker Adonis** & **Randy Rhodes** defeated **The Rockin' Rebel** & **El Corsario** when Rhodes pinned Corsario . . . **The Canadian Giant** beat **Dick Murdoch** by disqualification . . . In a non-title, street-fight bout, **Sasha** beat women's champion **La Tigresa** . . . **Miguel Perez Jr.** & **Carlos Colon** defeated **Abdullah the Butcher** & **Mohammad Hussein** when Perez pinned Abdullah . . . **Bronco I** beat **Invader I** by disqualification . . . **La Ley** pinned **Fidel Sierra** . . . **Doug Masters** & **Ron Starr** beat **El Ciclon Salvadoreno** & **Rex King** when Masters pinned Ciclon.

—Pablo Soto

NASHUA, NH, Friday, May 29: Universal Championship Wrestling at St. Stanislaus Hall: **Andre LaRock** pinned **Joel Davis** following a bulldog headlock . . . **Vince Apollo** defeated **Badhammer Jones** by submission with a figure-four leglock . . . **The Untouchables**—**Mario Vigorita** & **Bruno Scarlettelli**—defeated **Steve Ramsey** (Ramsey's partner, **Scott Taylor**, was injured and unable to compete) . . . **Bill Wilcox** defeated **Freight Train Fulton** in 21:35 to win the UCW title in a tournament final . . . **Vince Apollo** defeated **Phil LaRock** by submission with a figure-four leglock . . . **Badhammer Jones** beat **Joel Davis** . . . **Steve Ramsey**, **Bill Wilcox**, & **Maverick Sykes** beat **Freight Train Fulton** & **The Untouchables**.

—Dan Reilly

NORFOLK, VA, Friday, May 29: WCW at the Scope: **Cactus Jack** beat **Tom Zenk** . . . **Van Hammer** beat **J.T. Southern** . . . **Dustin Rhodes** & **Barry Windham** defeated **Greg Valentine** & **Terrence Taylor** . . . Light heavyweight champion **Brian Pillman** beat **Scotty Flamingo** . . . World tag team champions **Rick** & **Scott Steiner** beat **Larry Zbyszko**, **Bobby Eaton**, & **Paul Dangerously** when Rick pinned Zbyszko . . . In a cage match, World champion **Sting** & **Nikita Koloff** beat **Arn Anderson** & **Steve Austin** . . . In a two-of-three falls cage match, U.S. champion **Rick Rude** beat **Rick Steamboat**.

—Eddie Cheslock

TURBEVILLE, SC, Friday, May 29: South Atlantic Pro Wrestling at East Clarendon High School: **Wahoo McDaniel** won a "Russian roulette" battle royal . . . **Colt Steele** wrestled **Jess Husker** to a time-limit draw . . . **Trooper Max** beat **Mike Starr** . . . **Wahoo McDaniel** defeated **Ivan Koloff** by disqualification . . . Tag team champions **The Ringlords** defeated **Tommy Gunn** & **Chazz Rocco** when **Speedy** pinned Gunn.

—Ed Bannon

DALLAS, TX, Friday, May 29: Global Wrestling Federation at the Sportatorium: **Booker T** defeated **Shawn Stevens** by disqualification . . . **Chaz** pinned **Mike Davis** . . . Tag team champions **Steven Dane** & **Gary Young** defeated **Rod Price** & **John Tatum** when Young pinned Tatum . . . **The Ebony Experience** defeated **Shawn Summers** & **Alex Porteau** when **Stevie Ray** pinned Summers . . . In the final matches of a round-robin tournament to determine the new Global light heavyweight champion, **Terry Simms** defeated **Billy Travis**, then Simms went on to defeat **Chaz** to capture the title. The referee stopped the match because Chaz injured his leg and could not continue . . . **Bill Irwin** defeated **Gary Young** by disqualification when **Johnny Mantell** interfered . . . **Terry Simms** beat **Mike Davis** by disqualification . . . **Tugboat Taylor** & **Dewey** defeated **Shawn Summers** & **Alex Porteau** by countout . . . **Scott Putski** won the held-up GWF North American title by pinning **Johnny Mantell**.

—Freddie Fargo

PINEVILLE, WV, Friday, May 29: PWF at Pineville High School: Heavyweight champion **Italian Stallion** defeated **"Mean" Mark Canterbury** in a lumberjack match . . . Junior champion **"Gorgeous" George South** beat **Flaming Youth** in a Texas death match . . . **Star Ryder** defeated **Russian Assassin** . . . **Gladiator II** beat **Trooper Max** . . . **Cruel Connection II** beat **Hillbilly** . . . **Black Scorpion** defeated **Southern Rocker**.

—Bob Salmont

JUANA DIAZ, PUERTO RICO, Thursday, May 28: WWC at the Arena: **Randy Rhodes** pinned **El Corsario** . . . **Heartbreaker Adonis** beat **The Rockin' Rebel** . . . **Fidel Sierra** pinned **El Ciclon Salvadoreno** . . . **Carlos Colon** & **The Canadian Giant** battled **Abdullah the Butcher** & **Mohammad Hussein** to a double-disqualification . . . In a non-title match, **La Ley** pinned TV champion **Dick Murdoch** . . . **Rex King** & **Miguel Perez Jr.** beat tag team champions **Ron Starr** & **Doug Masters** when King pinned Masters in this non-title encounter . . . **Bronco I** defeated **Invader I** by disqualification.

—Pablo Soto

RUSKIN, FL, Thursday, May 28: Suncoast Pro Wrestling at the Fountain Club: **Greg Australia** wrestled to a time-limit draw with **Snap Fender** . . . **Henry Raine** beat **Ninja II** . . . **Jim Flynn** beat **The Outlaw** . . . **Jose Lopez** & **El Tigre** beat **The Southern Posse.**

—Donna Hubbard

JUAREZ, MEXICO, Thursday, May 28: Wild World Wrestling/Sindicato at Azua Gym: **Playboy I** defeated **Centella Plateada** . . . **El Gallo** & **Verdugo Asesino** beat **Shogun** & **Rafaga** . . . **Los Principes Halcones I** & **II** defeated **Relampago Azul** & **El Romano** . . . **Fuerza Aerea** & **Aristarco** beat **El Planetario** & **El Enignatico** . . . **Frankenstein** & **Chucky** defeated **Principe Azul** & **Mr. Llamas**.

—Art Amaral

SAN ANGELO, TX, Thursday, May 28: Independent wrestling at San Angelo Coliseum: **Chaz** pinned **Jimmy James** . . . **Sherry Clift** defeated male wrestler **Los Tito** . . . **Tugboat Taylor** battled **King Stomper** to a double-countout . . . **Terry Simms** pinned **Lex Grettler** . . . **John Tatum** & **Rod Price** beat **Steven Dane** & **Gary Young** . . . **Chaz** won a battle royal.

—Kevin Lane

HILLSVILLE, WV, Thursday, May 28: PWF at Hillsville High School: **Cruel Connection II** won an eight-man battle royal . . . Heavyweight champion **Italian Stallion** beat **Black Scorpion** by disqualification . . . Junior champion **"Gorgeous" George South** beat **Flaming Youth** . . . **"Mean" Mark Canterbury** defeated **Southern Rocker** . . . **Gladiator II** beat **Hillbilly**.

—Tim Lange

MIRAMAR, PUERTO RICO, Wednesday, May 27: WWC at the Naval Base: **The Rockin' Rebel** & **El Corsario** beat **Dick Murdoch** & **Mohammad Hussein** by disqualification . . . **Invader I** pinned **El Ciclon Salvadoreno** . . . **The Canadian Giant** defeated **The Fly** & **El Exotico** . . . **La Ley** pinned **Randy Rhodes** . . . **Bronco I** pinned **Doug Masters** . . . **Heartbreaker Adonis** beat **El Corsario** . . . **Invader I** pinned **Rex King** . . . **The Canadian Giant** beat **Mohammad Hussein** by disqualification . . . **Ron Starr** & **Doug Masters** defeated **The Rockin' Rebel** & **El Ciclon Salvadoreno** when Starr pinned Rebel . . . **La Ley** beat **Mohammad Hussein** by disqualification . . . **The Canadian Giant** & **Bronco I** defeated **Fidel Sierra** & **Heartbreaker Adonis** when Bronco pinned Adonis.

—Pablo Soto

TUSCON, AZ, Tuesday, May 26: WWF at The Convention Center: **Kato** beat **Dusty Wolfe** . . . **Rick Martel** pinned **Tito Santana** . . . **Koko B. Ware** & **Owen Hart** beat **The Nasty Boys** . . . **Crush** beat **Repo Man** . . . **The Legion of Doom** beat **The Beverly Brothers** . . . Intercontinental champion **Bret Hart** beat **Shawn Michaels** . . . **The Ultimate Warrior** beat **Papa Shango**.

—Brett Wolfe

JUAREZ, MEXICO, Sunday, May 24: Wild World Wrestling/Sindicato at the Municipal Gym: **Espectro III** beat **Spider Man** . . . **Los Hermanos De Muerte** defeated **Bird Man** & **Takeda** . . . **Piloto Suicida**, **Sensational Samurai**, & **El Angel** beat **Zorro**, **Latigo**, & **Canelo Villela** . . . **Crazy Boys 32** & **33** defeated **Rocky Starr** & **Gacela Del Ring** by disqualification . . . **Cinta De Oro** beat **Eddie Guerrero**.

—Art Amaral

WATERFILL, MEXICO, Sunday, May 24: Wild World Wrestling/Sindicato at El Tapatio: **Tigre De Bengala** won a 16-man battle royal . . . **Rey Azul** defeated **El Incognito** . . . **Verdugo Asesino** beat **Masked Killer** . . . **Cinta De Plata** defeated **Pantera Asesina** . . . **Guerrero Escarlata** beat **Rey Guerrero** . . . **Von Hitler I** & **II** fought **Crazy Boys 32** & **33** to a double-disqualification . . . **Frankenstein** defeated **Black Panther** . . . **Mr. Destroyer** drew with **Charro Del Misterio**.

—Art Amaral

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COVER STORY

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erations have toured the region. The WWF made its first tour in 1989, while WCW's initial jaunt came last December.

Word is that if SummerSlam did in fact take place across the Atlantic, it would be shown in the U.S. a few days later because the time difference would make a live telecast unfeasible.

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The LPWA is back in business. The women's federation has scheduled a television taping for July 22 at Hanlin College in Hanlin, Minnesota. The show, *International Ladies Wrestling*, will air on several cable networks.

"We've gotten calls from hundreds of fans asking for new shows," said LPWA President **Tor Berg**. "We're glad to finally get some brand-new matches out to people."

Popular **"Pistol" Pez Whatley** has returned to the USWA. On May 30 in Memphis, Tennessee, Whatley and **Jeff Jarrett** wrestled the tag team champions, **Moondogs Spot** and **Cujo**, to a brutal no-contest. Whatley says The Moondogs may be the toughest duo he's ever faced.

"When they smell blood, they're like maniacs," Whatley said. "But that's the kind of challenge I like. Me and Jeff have a lot of fight left. I'd get in that ring again tonight if I could."

Now that **Larry Zbyszko** is out of The Dangerous Alliance, **Paul E. Dangerously** is on an intense search for new members. Recently, he scouted a match between **Brian Pillman** and **Greg Valentine**, but would not say which man he was after.

"**Nikita Koloff** will wish yet that he'd accepted our offer," the manager insisted. "It's his loss. It's my job to look for men who *want* to be members of the Alliance. Pillman and Valentine may or may not fill that bill, but when I *do* find that right person, I know he'll make the Alliance absolutely unstoppable!"

The dispute between Universal champion **Carlos Colon** and his former friend, **Invader I**, continues to embroil the WWC. Last Saturday, Invader demanded that Colon meet him in a no-disqualification, no-time limit title bout. Colon agreed to the contest, and as he was signing the contract, Invader attacked him from behind. Their match was scheduled for June 6 in Bayamon, Puerto Rico. ☐

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